

# Minuteman



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## Promotions reign at Commanders Call

**By Senior Airman Reid Hanna**  
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Growth in the Air Force Reserve was the focus of Commanders Call during the May UTA.

Maj. Gen. James Bankers opened Commanders Call speaking about the importance of integrity, leadership, and potential. He also conveyed the pertinence these traits have to the theme of this Commanders Call -- promotions.

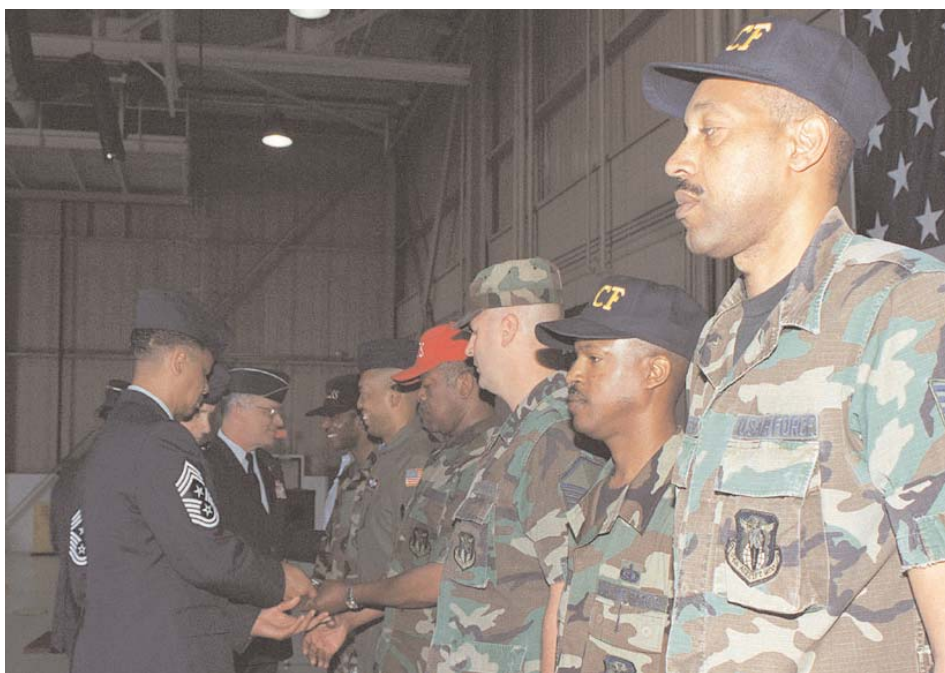
The presentation of the General's Flag marked the promotion of Brig. Gen. William P. Kane. In his address, Kane thanked the wing for their support. He also explained that promotions are a validation of performance. Reaffirming their oaths, six officers and 16 enlisted personnel representing a cross-section of careers were also promoted.



Brig. Gen. William Kane, 94th AW commander, officially received his star during a wing promotion ceremony in May. Pinning the general is Maj. Gen. James D. Bankers, 22nd Air Force commander, and Kane's wife, Diane. The pinning was part of a Wing Commanders Call where a number of promotions were made through the officer and enlisted ranks. (Photo by Don Peek)



Maj. Gen. James D. Bankers, 22nd Air Force commander, recently received his second star. Pinning the new two-star are Airman First Class Desiree Jackson, member of the 94th Aerial Delivery Flight and member of the 94th Airlift Wing Honor Guard, and Dorothy Bankers, his wife. (Photo by Don Peek)



During the Commanders Call, a number of reservists representing each level of the officer and enlisted ranks received promotions. Command Chief Master Sgt. James Woods, 94th AW, leads a procession of the senior enlisted and officer ranks congratulating the promotees. Following Woods are Command Chief Master Sgt. Charles Lowe, 22nd Air Force, Maj. Gen. James Bankers, 22nd Air Force commander, and Brig. Gen. William Kane, 94th Airlift Wing commander. (Photo by Don Peek)

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## Around the Wing



(Photo by Don Peek)

**By Brig. Gen. William P. Kane**  
94th Airlift Wing, commander

During the May UTA, I had the honor of having my wife, Diane and Maj. Gen. Bankers pin stars on my shoulders for the first time in front of several hundred members of the wing.

It was an extremely emotional moment for me. I was pleased to have a large contingent of my family here, from all over the country. The list included my parents, both of my kids, all of my sisters and my son's fiancée, as well as many friends. That made the moment extremely special from my perspective. On the professional level, we performed the ceremony in front of a great wing that was a key piece in my promotion. Each and every one of you should take a moment to pat yourself on the back. Every promotion is a product of teamwork. Thank you for being part of my team.

During the same ceremony, we also celebrated the promotion of a half a dozen officers and 16 NCOs. That was a special moment for me as well. We did this to remind ourselves that every promotion, whether senior airman or brigadier general, is important personally for the individual and critically important for our unit. I was pleased we had the opportunity to recognize those great individuals that came up on stage that day. I salute each and every one of you.

If you stop and think about how

someone becomes a colonel, a brigadier general or a chief master sergeant, the answer is always similar. There is an element of talent and hard work, but there is also an enormous element of chance and opportunity.

Let me talk about opportunity. I have been blessed with bosses who trusted me with some tough jobs. Some were personnel issues, some were related to morale problems, some were mission changes and others were technically and politically complicated. I wasn't always the most senior person, and I wasn't always thrilled with the assignments. In any case, they gave me the chance because they had faith in my ability. In some cases, they were more confident than I was. They gave me a chance to excel or fail. I will tell you that I did not win every battle and I certainly wasn't 100 percent correct on my decisions. However, with each new opportunity, I became less ignorant, more confident, and more capable. I grew to become the officer charged with leading this wing into the future. As I describe my situation, I need to ask, have you given your subordinates the same opportunity? Have you told your boss, you are willing to take on a new challenge?

Let me give you an example. About six months ago, we decided we needed an airshow leader to focus the planning and organizing of the airshow. We had some people who had a lot of experience, but many of the most knowledgeable people had retired. After considerable debate, we selected a traditional reservist to take the project. If you came to the airshow, you know it was an extraordinary event and a tremendous success. Maj. Rich Riddle was given an opportunity and he excelled. Was his selection a safe choice? Probably not. Was it a smart choice? You bet it was. There is a key point to remember here: we gave him the authority to excel or struggle, but if he had had trouble our senior leadership would have borne a large part of the responsibility.

There is a second aspect to my promotion I would like to discuss. That is the tremendous people with whom I have had the opportunity to work. I have had the privilege to be assigned to nearly a dozen different units over the past 32 years. During that time I have had an enormous

number of people help me learn from my mistakes and sometimes learn the lesson before I made the mistake. Over the past 6 years I have been a squadron commander and have commanded two wings. The people in all of those units have been instrumental in the promotion event we celebrated in May. There is a judge who once said "the only thing a man can achieve alone is failure." I certainly agree with his view.

The bottom line of this article is simply, thank you, the members of the 94th Airlift Wing for the opportunity to serve with you and to serve our nation in this new rank. Thank you also for your support over the past two and one half years. Thanks also are deserved by the men and women of the 908th AW, the 301st Rescue Squadron, the 939th Rescue Wing, the 910th AW, the 303rd RQS, the 914th AW and many, many more for their tremendous support over the past 30 + years. I vow to do my best to serve you and our nation to the best of my ability as we face together the unknown challenges of our nation's future.

## Top-Three Connection



(Photo by Don Peek)

**By Chief Master Sgt. John L. Cowman**  
700th Airlift Squadron, loadmaster supervisor

Fellow 94th Airlift Wing members, look around! Are you folks seeing the

same picture that I'm seeing at Dobbins ARB? With our new mission change to become AFRCs formal C-130 Schoolhouse, the internal wing growth, and now even civilian contractors doing a lot more of the daily work, there are a lot of new faces everywhere!

Do you find you're now working with many newly assigned members and maybe quietly questioning (to yourself) their abilities to do their jobs? Just because you don't know them on a personal and professional level as you've been able to with other co-workers doesn't make them any less of an 94th AW asset. These are the members it will take for us to accomplish this perceived impossible new mission we now have ahead of us. I know that I have made this error in my thinking and judgment recently.

Folks, I barely know all the new co-workers I work and fly with at the 700th AS each day. That doesn't mean they aren't competent to do their jobs because they are new. As the wing's newest "Jeep Chief," I feel it is important for us to all try and lead by example. As officers and senior NCOs in positions of leadership, we must mentor our employees that these new members we are currently getting to know and working with around Dobbins are our most important resources.

Have you ever factored in the thought that all these new members were maybe hired into the Dobbins family because they are the best in their particular career field? I know how much effort we put into hiring the best possible ART instructor members to train our future C-130 aviators. Our current Reserve program depends on us, as managers in our respective units, to make these critical decisions so that the program as we have grown to love and appreciate will remain intact for members coming after us.

I was very fortunate to be reassigned to Dobbins AFB in September 1982 as part of an initial instructor C-130 cadre bringing the new C-130H program to town. I remember so well on Oct. 12, 1982, the day we picked up aircraft 81-0626 (City of Marietta) for the acceptance flight from Lockheed. It was AFRES's first new factory-fresh addition to their aircraft inventory resources.

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## Key issue: Modernization should mirror active force



**By Maj. Gen. James E. Sherrard III**  
chief of Air Force Reserve  
and commander of Air Force Reserve  
Command

Congress recognizes that modern equipment directly impacts readiness. Congressional help in the past has provided us with aircraft and upgrades, which have enhanced our ability to fly anywhere in the world on a moment's notice.

The Air Reserve Components must continue to receive modern equipment at

the same rate as the active-duty Air Force. This will ensure that all three Air Force components maintain the same tier of readiness - ready now! Modernization is an area that must be closely watched in this era of aging aircraft and constrained investment budgets.

The Air Force Reserve Command directly aligns itself with the vision, goals and core competencies of the active-duty Air Force. Similarly, the mission capabilities of the AFRC and the equipment upgrades required to meet our mission taskings correlate one-for-one with the primary mission areas of the active-duty gaining commands.

In the past few years, four areas of airpower doctrine have been affected by changing technologies, force structures and economic realities. We are well-positioned to lead, support and effectively carry-out our mission in each of these areas:

- \* First, we will be expected to do our jobs day and night to the same level of proficiency as the active-duty Air Force.

- \* Second, we must have precision-munitions capability to effectively perform in today's contingency environment.

- \* Third, fighters and bombers must reach their targets and survive on their own; self-protection, electronic-warfare capabilities are essential to the mission.

Finally, to reduce fratricide and fully integrate air power with ground and sea forces, we must be part of the "digital battlefield" data-link programs. All three components of the Air Force must have modern equipment that is compatible and interoperable. (AFRC News Service)

### Top 3 (cont'd from page 2)

After leaving the active duty world earlier that year and later transferring to the Reserve as an ART instructor, I had been flying as a loadmaster crewmember on worn out and very tired C-130E models at Pope AFB, N.C. That brand new, showroom smelling, and gorgeous camouflaged C-130H Hercules we crawled into that day provided the renewed catalyst for the pride that we all have deeply rooted in our attitudes and abilities towards getting the 94th AW mission completed.

We have never believed in second-place thinking around here. We are known AFRC winners at Dobbins. For example, that positive attitude and teamwork at Dobbins helped us win the AMC Rodeo's "Best C-130 Maintenance" award in 1984 and the ever-coveted overall "Best Airdrop Wing" award in 1985. Bringing home these world-class titles to Dobbins and AFRC for the distinction of "Best of the Best" was truly an honor that all reservists throughout the Reserve cherished. Our wing has always been the standard that other wing's have tried to emulate.

As a lead wing, Dobbins ARB has always been able to attract the best of the best in our senior leadership roles including the ARTs, reservists and civilians who we employ to continuously get the Air

Force mission done. So, why should that practice of us attaining and maintaining the best members be any different now? "It's not!" The wing's core is still alive and well from my vantage. I see this capacity for success from all of us assigned here continuing into this new millennium as we now are being forced to do more with less every day. Remember, our people work that magic, not an Air Force system or process!

I know that when I do my job around the base these days, the norm is not the same as it was. As an ART supervisor, I am required to work closely with both the civilian and military forces assigned to and around Dobbins. The faces have definitely changed around our base, but the skills and abilities of these new faces we work with are still one of a solid foundation. So, instead of maybe questioning these new members' abilities because you don't know them on that personal or professional level, give them the chance to rise to the occasion and contribute as we ole timers have been allowed to for so long.

I want to close with a challenge for each of us to spend the time and energy necessary in getting to know our new members throughout our wing. Who knows, all these newly assigned professional 94th AW members may just teach us old dogs some new tricks!

## President nominates Sherrard for 3rd star

WASHINGTON - Maj. Gen. James E. Sherrard III, chief of Air Force Reserve and commander of Air Force Reserve Command, has been nominated by the president for promotion to lieutenant general.

The Air Force announced the nomination April 26. Other reserve component chiefs and directors have also been nominated for a third star. The promotions are contingent on Senate confirmation.

In the fiscal year 2000 National Defense Authorization Act, Congress gave the Department of Defense the authority to upgrade the reserve component positions, but the promotions would have had to come from active-duty, three-star authorizations.

Last year Congress increased the limit on the number of officers who can serve on active duty above the grade of O-8. It also directed DOD to promote the chief of Air Force Reserve and the five other reserve bosses within 12 months of enactment of the FY 2001 National Defense Authorization Act, which was signed into law Oct. 30. (AFRC News Service)

## Command selects top services programs for 2001

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. - Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Ga., came out on top when the Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command Directorate of Services announced this year's top services programs and individuals in May.

The 94th Services Squadron not only retained its best outdoor recreation program title but also picked up the consolidated club award and finished second in the command's marketing competition for 2001. Four Dobbins civilians also won awards: Jesse Holcomb, senior manager; David D'Amour III, superintendent; Terry Bozeman, supervisor; and Judy McKenzie, technician.



Other program award winners by category are:

- \* Fitness and sports - 452nd Services Flight, March ARB, Calif.;
- \* Readiness - 940th Mission Support Squadron's Prime RIBS (Readiness in Base Services) unit, Beale AFB, Calif., and
- \* Marketing - 914th SVS, Niagara Falls International Airport Air Reserve Station, N.Y.

The marketing program for the 911th SVS, Pittsburgh IAP ARS, Pa., was once again named the most improved.

The 507th MSS, Tinker AFB, Okla., had the most reservists win awards in the military category. They are Maj. Ernest Goodman, senior manager; Tech. Sgt. Deborah Kidd, supervisor; and Airman 1st Class Lynette Lugini, technician. Senior Master Sgt. Terry Tunender was named the top services air reserve technician.

Other individual award winners by category are:

- \* Civilian manager - Jerry Slipko, 914th SVS, Niagara Falls IAP ARS;
- \* Military manager - Capt. Kevin Kaminiski, 927th MSS, Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Mich.; and
- \* Military superintendent - Senior Master Sgt. James Pitts, 446th MSS, McChord AFB, Wash.

Goodman, Holcomb, Kaminiski, Slipko and D'Amour, along with the Dobbins consolidated club, the March fitness and sports division, and the Beale readiness unit are representing AFRC in Air Force competition. (AFRC News Service)



# The results are in...majority vote for current wing emblem

**By Senior Airman Micky Cordiviola**  
Public Affairs

The results are in! Our current 94th Airlift Wing emblem defeated the old emblem by the vote count of 88 to 59.

During the last UTA, ballot boxes were placed in different areas around base to determine what the majority opinion is about changing or keeping the current emblem.

Out of 151 participating voters 88 wanted the current emblem to remain, 59 would like to see a change, and four misunderstood the question.

The comments of the people who were in favor of keeping the current emblem ranged from:



“Keep the current one; Since I’ve already sewn it on my uniform;” to “The minuteman has historical value and



stands for speed, vigilance and America. They were always ready for deployment, just like the members of Dobbins. They epitomize the reserve man”.

On the counter side of the voting opinion the comments ranged from:

“It’s time for a change” to “While the revolutionary minuteman is symbolic of readiness to serve, the qualities in the original emblem: cunningness, speed, agility, freedom, courage, stamina, and the mobility of the modern Air Force are more representative of what it means to be an Air Force reservist in the new millennium.”

Although opinions varied from each side, the ballot box provided a means to which members had an opportunity to voice their opinions.

## Renewed enthusiasm for education drives Top Three Association

**By Senior Airman Micky Cordiviola**  
Public Affairs

The Dobbins Top Three Association meeting produced a renewed enthusiasm to support the educational development of airmen and non-commissioned officers, along with furthering the educational needs of all Dobbins ARB NCOs.

Recent low attendance numbers within NCO Development courses sparked the renewed commitment and the strengthening of several committees geared toward Professional Military Education and mentoring. Command Chief Master Sgt. James Woods discussed the importance of education and mentoring.

“As senior NCOs, we are mentors to our younger airmen,” said Woods. “Whether we are good mentors or bad mentors is up to each individual. We cannot achieve the rank of the senior NCOs and roll over and lay down. When we shy away from furthering our education, we are not only cheating ourselves but we’re

also cheating the airmen to whom we are mentors.”

Along with reports from on-going project leaders, several NCOs addressed the issue of volunteerism. Chief Master Sgt. Les Davy, 22nd Air Force Life Support superintendent, told the group that when you show up for one of these meetings (Top Three) be prepared to help because that’s what the organization is about.

“Your entire way of life will dramatically change,” added Dale Griffith, 700th AS first sergeant and vice president of the Dobbins Top Three, talking about responsibilities of senior NCOs. “As senior enlisted members, more will be expected of you and more will be asked of you.”

An induction ceremony was held at the beginning of the meeting where Brig. Gen. William Kane, 94th Airlift Wing commander, swore in new Dobbins master sergeants. The Dobbins Top Three meets once a quarter and provides senior enlisted members an opportunity to raise issues and voice concerns about base issues.



The Air Force Sergeants Association hosted its annual Installation Dinner at the Dobbins Consolidated Club last month. The dinner recognizes the group’s newly elected officers. AFSA President, Senior Master Sgt. Brenda Calhoun, thanks AFSA Division 4 President Murphy Green for his support of the chapter. Calhoun, 22nd Air Force, was elected president and Master Sgt. Luke Brackett, 94th Aeromedical Staging Squadron, was elected vice president of the group. Both are reservists at Dobbins ARB. (Photo by Don Bradford)



Recent graduates of the Community College of the Air Force gathered for a ceremony and refreshments during the May UTA. Receiving degrees from the left were: Tech. Sgt. Tim Woodall, 94th CES, Associates Degree in Personnel Administration Fire Science; Master Sgt. Mark Bonner, 94th CBCF, Associates Degree in Electronic Systems; Tech. Sgt. Theodore Reitano, 80th APS, Associates Degree in Avionic Systems; Tech. Sgt. Donnie Mattox, 94th MXS, Associates Degree in Aircraft System Maintenance; Staff Sgt. John Bobelak, 94th AW/XP, Associates Degree in Logistics. Not pictured are 2nd Lt. Jaclyn Chadwick, 94th Services, Tech. Sgt. Patrick Timms, 700th AS, Master Sgt. James McMichen, 94th MXS, and Senior Airman John Phillips, 80th APS. Senior Master Sgt. Deborah Blair and Master Sgt. Marilyn King, both of 22nd Air Force also received degrees. (Photo by Don Peek)



Master Sgt. Andretta Williams receives her Senior NCO Induction Certificate from Brig. Gen. William Kane, 94th AW commander. Williams, an information management specialist with the 94th Maintenance Squadron, was one of 14 Top Three inductees. (Photo by Don Peek)

# June UTA Schedule

\*schedule is subject to change

## Saturday, June 2

ALL MEALS WILL BE SERVED AT VERHULST HALL DINING FACILITY.

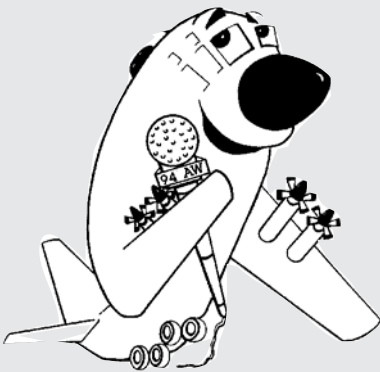
TIME	ACTIVITY (OPR)	LOCATION
0700-0830	OPEN RANKS/SIGN IN (CC)	UNIT ASGND
0730-0800	WING ELEMENT STAFF MTG	BLDG 838/RM 1202
0730-0900	NEWCOMERS INTRO	BLDG 838/WCR
0730-1600	COMBAT ARMS TRAINING	SFS RANGE
0800-0900	HEARING CONSERV (REFRESHER)	BLDG 922/CONF RM
0830-1130	OUTPROCESSING BRIEF(DMPSA)	BLDG 838/RM 2304
	0830-REASSIGNMENTS	
	0930-TDY (>30 DAYS)/SCHOOL TOURS	
	1030-RETIREMENTS	
0900-1500	NEWCOMERS ORIENTATION	BLDG 838/RM 1202
0900-1100	NBCWD TNG (REFRESHER TNG)	BLDG 838/RM 1322
0930-1030	OJT MGRS MTG (DPMT)	BLDG 838/TNET RM
1000-1100	PCIII WORKERS GP (OCT/JAN/APR/JUL)	BLDG 827/RM 208B
1100-1200	FIRST SERGEANTS GP MTG	94CES/BLDG 501
1300-1500	CDC EXAMS	BLDG 838/RM 2304
1300-1500	NBCWD TNG (REFRESHER TNG)	BLDG 838/RM 1322
1500-1600	DEPLOYMENT MGRS MTG	BLDG 838/WCR
1600	RETREAT (CC) UNIT: 94ASTS	BLDG 922/FRONT

## Sunday, June 3

ALL MEALS WILL BE SERVED AT VERHULST HALL DINING FACILITY.

TIME	ACTIVITY (OPR)	LOCATION
0645-0730	OPEN RANKS/SIGN IN (CC)	UNIT ASGND
0730	PHYSICAL EXAMS (AIRCREW)	NAVY CLINIC
0730-1600	COMBAT ARMS TRAINING	SFS RANGE
0800-0900	HRDC MTG (CV)	BLDG 838/WCR
0800-1100	IMMUNIZATIONS	NAVY CLINIC
0800-1400	NBCWD (INITIAL)	BLDG 838/RM 1322
0800	PHYSICAL EXAMS (NON-AIRCREW)	NAVY CLINIC
0830	OCCUPATIONAL PHYSICALS	BLDG 550/RM 201
0900-1000	SAV PREPARATION (CV)	BLDG 838/WCR
0900-1000	YELLOW FEVER SHOTS	NAVY CLINIC
0900-1030	OUTPROCESSING BRIEF(DPMSA)	BLDG 922/RM 205
	0900-REASSIGNMENTS	
	1000-TDY (>30 DAYS)/SCHOOL TOURS	
	1100-RETIREMENTS	
0900-1200	CDC EXAMS	BLDG 838/RM 2304
1000	IG COMPLAINTS	BLDG 838/RM 2105
1000-1030	ENL ADVISOR COUNCIL MTG (SEA)	BLDG 838/WCR
1000-1100	30-DAY RECORD REVIEW	BLDG 838/RM 1202
1130	CMDR’S WORKING LUNCH	COM (MARIETTA RM)
1300-1400	FLYING SAFETY	BLDG 727/700 AS
1300-1500	IMMUNIZATIONS	NAVY CLINIC
1400-1500	UNIT CCD REP (TTT) TNG (CEX)	BLDG 838/RM 1322
1300-1400	FLYING SAFETY	BLDG 727/700 AS
1300-1600	MEO EO-2000 TRAINING (SA)	BLDG 838/RM 1202
1315-1400	SUPERVISOR SAFETY TNG (MAR/JUN/SEP/DEC)	BLDG 744/ 2ND FL TNG RM
1500-1600	NEWCOMERS MTG (94AW/CC) (APR/JUL/OCT/JAN)	CONSOL OPEN MESS

## Herk Wonders



### How do you plan to beat the heat?

“I plan to drink plenty of cold water and avoid direct sunlight.”

**Staff Sgt. Cliff Davis, aerial port transporter, 80th Aerial Port Squadron**

“I’m going to stay in the air conditioning.”

**Master Sgt. Cathy Bennett, medical service specialist, 94th Aeromedical Staging Squadron**

“I beat the heat by making sure I handle everything I have to do outside in the morning and at night, when it’s cooler.”

**Master Sgt. Robert Williams, traffic management specialist, 22nd Air Force**

“The best way I know to beat the heat is to stay inside as much as possible and turn up the air conditioning.”

**Master Sgt. Ratiya Newbill, medical service specialist, 94th Aeromedical Staging Squadron**

“I plan to stay inside and keep hydrated by drinking lots of fluids.”

**Staff Sgt. William Lanier, security officer, 94th Security Forces Squadron**

“You can’t beat the heat, but you can limit your time in it.”

**Master Sgt. Roger Gilbert, finances services supervisor, 94th Airlift Wing, Financial Management**

“I plan to use the air conditioner wherever I am. In the car, in the house and at my job.”

**Senior Airman Keith Turner, supply personnel, 94th Civil Engineer Squadron**



# Armed Forces over Marietta

**By Staff Sgt. Bob Purtiman**  
*Public Affairs*

Disobeying strict orders for good weather, Mother Nature gave it her best shot to dampen the spirits of airshow participants and spectators at the May 19-20 Armed Forces over Marietta airshow and open house.

Despite her efforts, the show still went on and friends and neighbors of the 94th Airlift Wing were able to catch a brief glimpse of their Air Force Reserve in action and witness some breathtaking civilian aerobatic acts.

Crowds of approximately 20,000 on Saturday and 40,000 on Sunday ignored the overcast weather and took the opportunity to visit Dobbins Air Reserve Base.

"The airshow is a great way for us to open our doors to the community to let them see what the 94th Airlift Wing is doing for them every day," said Brig. Gen. William P. Kane, 94th AW commander. "We perform our mission daily and there may be some people who don't know we're here, this is a great way for us to get acquainted."

Friday, May 18, was the kickoff of the weekend festivities. Clear skies ushered in practice day. Most of the airshow performers were able to fly their demonstration to get orientated to the airspace surrounding Dobbins.

The wing also treated close to 400 special needs students and their chaperones from area schools and hospitals to an up close and personal look at the static aircraft at the show.

"Many of the students don't have the mobility to navigate through the big crowds associated with the airshow," said Courtney Hurtt, public affairs deputy chief. "Plus, with the number of children, the aircrews got to spend some extra quality time with them."

Aircraft from most of the services were sitting static including the C-5 Galaxy, C-17 Globemaster, four different versions of the C-130, an E-3 Sentry and the crowd pleaser — the F-117 Nighthawk, to name only a few. Actually, there were two F-117s — one to sit static and one to do a demonstration.

One of the big highlights of the show Sunday was the appearance of two B-1B bombers from the 116th Bomb Wing at nearby Robins AFB.

Coming to the airshow was a no-brainer for Ken and Amy Wiles of Sandy Springs — Amy's father was a Marine Corps aviator.

"We don't live to far from the base and the aircraft periodically fly near our house," Wiles explained. "Our daughter, Cameron, sees them and gets excited and she couldn't wait to come out today. She's got airplanes in her blood from her grandfather."

"The facilities here are great and the military people are great," he added. "We love coming out here to see the airplanes fly — It's amazing what some of them can do. We also get to see where our tax dollars are going. It's just about the only thing I don't mind paying taxes for."

Wiles said the most important thing the airshow did for him was to make him proud to be an American.

In a scenario involving local law enforcement officials, Abel Westray proposed to his long-time girlfriend Sally Curtis, daughter of public affairs superintendent Chief Master Sgt. David Curtis. The answer was yes — however a date hasn't been set as of yet.

Overall, the airshow was a great way for families to enjoy time together. For the Wiles, Westray and Curtis families — the 2001 Armed Forces over Marietta airshow and open house will always have a special meaning.



**The 700th Airlift Squadron provided the local flying attraction with an airdrop demonstration in the C-130 Hercules. Shown here is a container delivery system demonstration. (Photo by Don Peek)**



**Local and visiting aircrews alike took turns showing off their equipment to special needs children from the local community in a pre-airshow event on Friday afternoon. Judging from the smiles, it was difficult to tell whether the children or the aircrew had more fun. (Photo by Don Peek)**



**A real crowd pleaser was the flight demonstration by the 116th Bomb Wing, a GA Air National Guard unit at Robins AFB. (Photo by Don Peek)**



# Airshow and Open House



Jumpers from the Army Green Beret Jump Team closed the show on Sunday afternoon (Photo by Don Peek).



Boys and girls of all ages got into the spirit of the event. "This is what I'm going to fly when I grow up." (Photo by Don Peek)



"No Dad, this plane over here does that." (Photo by Don Peek)



by the B-1B bomber. Two planes from the 116th AFB, made numerous passes for the Sunday



"We who are about to be thrilled, salute you." (Photo by Don Peek)



The E-3 Sentry (above), F-117 Nighthawk (middle), and C-17 Globemaster (below) were just a few of the crowd magnets on static display. (Photo by Don Peek)



# Tuskegee Airman speaks to Georgia Vietnam vets



Dick Howard, 94th Airlift Wing performance planner, introduces Retired Lt. Col. Charles Dryden, an original Tuskegee Airman, at the May 17 meeting of the Georgia Vietnam Veterans Alliance. Dryden presented a historical account of his experiences as a fighter pilot during World War II. He received a standing ovation for his presentation. (Photo by Master Sgt. Stan Coleman)



Retired Lt. Col. Charles Dryden, a member of the Atlanta chapter of the Tuskegee Airman, spoke on May 17 at a Georgia Vietnam Veterans Alliance meeting at the Lakeside facility at Dobbins ARB. Dryden presented a historical account of his experiences as a fighter pilot during World War II as one of the original Tuskegee Airmen. (Photo by Master Sgt. Stan Coleman)



John McDougal, president of the Georgia Vietnam Veterans Alliance presents a certificate of appreciation to Retired Lt. Col. Charles Dryden, one of the original Tuskegee Airman fighter pilots of World War II. Dryden spoke at the May 17 meeting of the Vietnam veterans group about his experiences in the military at the Lakeside facility. (Photo by Master Sgt. Stan Coleman)

## Armed Forces Day Luncheon 2001



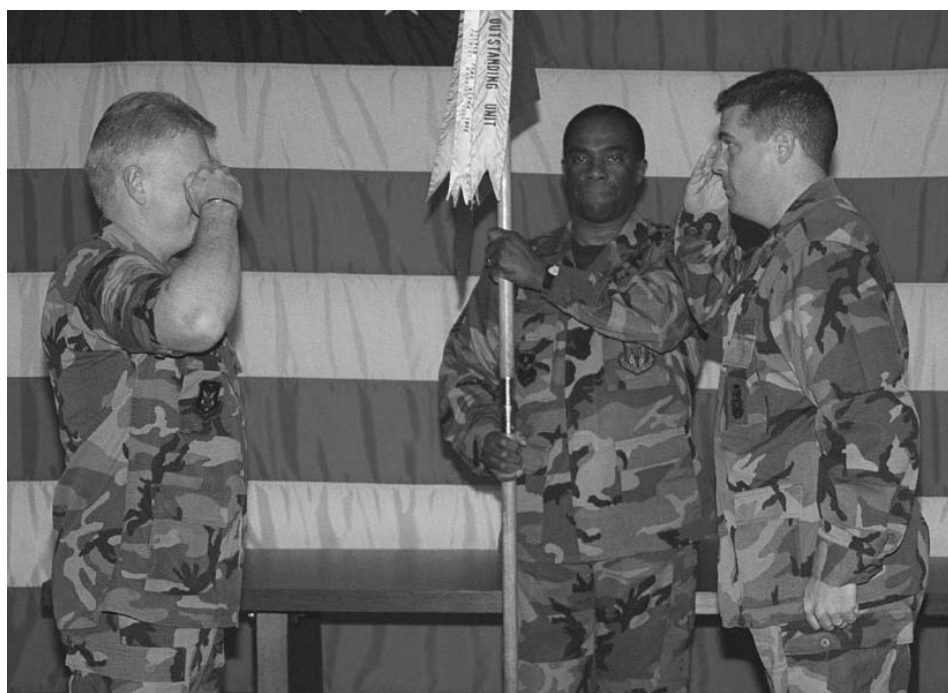
Moby of Kicks 101.5 FM and Navy JROTC midshipmen from Cobb County provide a patriotic finale at the 2001 Armed Forces Day Luncheon. The event honored Atlanta-area servicemen of all branches, and was sponsored by the Atlanta Regional Military Affairs Committee. More than 15 airmen from Dobbins were invited by corporate table sponsors to join the festivities. This year's event was the 49th annual luncheon in the area, and featured an Air Force speaker for the first time in recent memory. (Photo by Don Peek)

## First FTU loadmaster student graduates



Senior Airman Tiffany Jones graduated on May 4 as a fully qualified C-130H mission loadmaster. Jones is from the 95th Airlift Squadron at General Mitchell ARS, Wis. Tech. Sgt. Shelton Britt, 700th Airlift Squadron Loadmaster (right) was her primary flying training unit instructor while she was completing her training at Dobbins. Britt is a graduate of the unit AETC Buddy Instructor Program at Dobbins. Jones was the third loadmaster student to complete the Loadmaster Qualification and Tactical Mission training programs at the Dobbins FTU. Unlike the two previous secondary-method loadmaster students, she came to Dobbins for training without any previous aviation background or experience. As a result, she was the first true FTU student trained completely for both the required Logistical Airlift and Tactical Airdrop missions that the C-130 Hercules performs.

## Security Forces command changes hands



Maj. Jeff Tousignant accepts command of the 94th Security Forces Squadron from Col. Jeffery Ippolito, 94th Support Group commander, during a Change of Command ceremony in April. In the background, Master Sgt. Jimmy Williams, then the unit's first sergeant, assists with the guidon. (Photo by Senior Airman Michelle Stevenson)



# Tiger-proofing leadership skills

**By Master Sgt. Calvin Stevens**

*First Sergeant, 622nd Regional Support Group*

Have you ever heard the phrase, “Tiger-Proofing?” This term is used by the golfing world to describe Tiger Woods, golf’s hottest sensation.

Permit me to define and paraphrase, “Tiger-proofing”, as it pertains to leadership aptitudes or qualities. Although I am not a golfer, I have, on the other hand, followed the phenomenal Tiger Woods. At 25 years of age, he has captured the heart and soul of golfers and non-golfers alike. When Tiger turned pro, he set the golf world on fire! He set records of unheard of proportions and broke long-standing (thought to be impossible to break) records of the great golf masters, like Bobby Jones and others. Tiger Woods’ style of golfing, well, just plain changed the world of golf.

As Tiger got better, golf standards and expectations were raised. And, each time the expectation rose, Tiger just raised his level of performance or changed his goal. In other words, Tiger implemented what is called, “Tiger-proofing” his golf game! He now holds all four major professional golf tournament titles. A feat only he has accomplished.

You too can “Tiger-proof” your leadership style to meet everyday challenges. Here’s nine ways to strengthen your leadership style.

1. Endeavor to win every time you play. Performance expectations for leaders are not static. When faced with challenges, you should endeavor to deliver your “best game.” You must have a winner’s point of view. Challenges come and challenges go. One way to overcome them is to work smarter, not harder, by allowing yourself, in most cases, to think outside the box. Like Tiger, always seek to win, no matter what the challenges are.

2. Continuously raise the bar. Always assess the level of your performance, every day, raise the bar a notch or two, especially when the going gets tough. Strive to define a comfort level that will allow you to succeed, in

spite of the challenges. Seek to raise the level of your performance. Get in the habit of defining your purpose. First, you need to understand what your purpose is and then stretch your performance to match it. Remember, your performance is dynamic, not static.

3. Constantly reconstruct your skill set: Stay aware of your skill level in order to keep up with changing technology. Skills, like life itself, change over time. Isolate those skills that are lacking and find ways to enhance your skill set. If you attended the Senior NCO Academy years ago; take course 5 (CD-ROM) to improve your skill set. Go back to school. Seek or identify areas for improvement, and then reconstruct your skill set. Never stop learning!

4. Seek honest mentoring and help. It’s easy to get complacent in your everyday job. Your level of performance loses something. To seek and make meaningful performance improvements, it is imperative to seek an outsider or mentor. Mentors can do wonders to improve your performance. Seek mentor’s who can provide technical guidance to areas needing improvement.

5. Define a personal satisfaction level. Membership in peer groups, like the First Sergeants Group or the Dobbins Top Three Association, offers a chance to focus clearly on career goals and muster new energy to enhance job performance. It is often said, Tiger Woods is his harshest critic. Are you your harshest critic? Are you satisfied with your personal satisfaction level of leadership, job performance and job knowledge? You need to be committed in getting the most out of who you are and what you are capable of doing. Define a personal satisfaction level, then develop a plan of action.

6. Be open to learning and using new equipment. If you have not attended any type of computer training, for example, Microsoft Word, Excel or Power point training, then, you are missing out on a golden opportunity to enhance your computer skills or increasing your level of performance. I understand computer technology doubles every 18 months. With that in mind, you need to view today’s and tomorrow’s tools as transitional. Like Tiger,

be on the look out for new technology and look for ways in which to use it.

7. Be determined, even if the odds seem against you. There will be days, when you will ask the question, why get out of bed? There are too many changes! Be determined to accept those changes along with the lack of time, as well as accepting challenges as opportunities and then move on. Be determined to accept obstacles.

8. Become a point person. Who is the best person to market you? You are, of course. For all practical purposes, you must become visible in an invisible world. In a world where everybody wants to look, act or be like someone else. You must become a visible representative or point person and become the “best you can be (sorry about that Army).” This is true! You need to develop a new level of boldness. Learn to become a point person in whatever job you are performing. Become that point person responsible for assisting others. Learn to market your skills by assisting others. Offer to assist others by writing performance plans, promotion enhancement packages and awards and decorations.

9. Define and execute a plan. There are four final attributes I need to share with you. It is critical to:

- (a.) Redefine your expectations
- (b.) Define your stretch goals
- (c.) Assess your strengths and weaknesses
- (d.) Clearly focus on a determined direction or plan of action.

Finally, implement the plan. Without some sort of effort on your part, execution is useless. Develop timelines. Set goals.

Like Tiger Woods, your attitude can stave off any challenges. In order to challenge the status quo, you need to seek ways to add value to any given situation. By raising the level of expectations, being skilled, focused, confident, and committed, you can, in my opinion, achieve great things. When you follow these nine steps, you will begin to “Tiger-proof” your leadership style (aptitudes or qualities) to meet or exceed challenges and overcome obstacles to enhance job performance.

## NCO and Airman of the Quarter named for the first quarter 2001

**By Master Sgt. Stan Coleman**

*Public Affairs*

Many would agree that being a member of the Air Force team (Guard, active-duty, and Reserve) is being among the best. It’s even more special when you have been chosen as the “best of the best.”

Tech. Sgt. David Hunter and Senior Airman Bruce Terry have earned that honor by being chosen as Outstanding Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter and Outstanding Airman of the Quarter.

Hunter is a pavements and equipment specialist with the 94th Civil Engineer Squadron. In addition to performing his regular duties, Hunter trains squadron personnel on heavy equipment and safety. His guidance resulted in a rating of “excellent” during an operational

readiness inspection.

Hunter is also a member of the 94th Airlift Wing Honor Guard. His participation with the honor guard requires additional time for rehearsals and performances at various local events. He has received numerous letters of appreciation for the events that he has supported through the honor guard.

Even with his military commitments, Hunter is still involved in community activities. His strong commitment is demonstrated by his membership with the Community Leadership Conference organization and church activities as minister of music, events coordinator for married couples, and bible instructor.

Terry is assigned to the 94th Maintenance Squadron as an aerospace ground equipment specialist. In their description of Terry, his leaders pointed to

his leadership potential based on his achievements for volunteering to take on tasks where he observed there was a need.

For example, Terry developed a plan that progressed his team to “superior standards,” which were recognized during their last management inspection. Terry was also a key player in the achievement of the 94th AGE shop attaining the Bioenvironmental Shop of the Year award.

“Terry has received numerous letters of appreciation for his outstanding performance as an AGE mechanic,” said Maj. Kenneth R. Lapierre, 94th Maintenance Squadron commander. “He constantly volunteers to support community and church events by using his mechanical and technical abilities where needed.”

## Airshow visitors brave rains to get peek at a variety of aviation



During the May 19 - 20 Airshow, more than 60,000 visitors saw civilian acts like this Oreck XL aircraft as well as military flying acts. Spectators also had the opportunity to visit more than 70 static displays that lined the Dobbins ramp. (Photo by Don Peek)



For the papas

Have your dad a Father’s Day gift yet? If not, then the Consolidated Club has got the perfect gift for your loved one. A buffet held in his honor! On June 17, a Father’s Day buffet will be held at the Consolidated Club. Member’s price is \$12.95, children 4-13 are \$6 and children under 4 eat free. For reservations or more information, contact the Consolidated Club at (770) 919-4594.

Enhance your career

Any service member with NATO planning responsibilities or who is subject to deployment to a NATO area of responsibility is eligible for the NATO Staff Officer Orientation Course. Classes will be held at the Conference Center at Robins Air Force Base, Ga., and are format tailored for reserve forces to provide an overview of NATO strategy, organization, operation and future. Space is limited and the application deadline is June 15. For more information, contact Lt. Col. Kenyon at DSN 497-1251 or commercial (478) 327-1251, email at Allen.Kenyon@afrc.af.mil or fax DSN 497-1089 or commercial (478) 327-0189.

PME registration

It’s time again for the annual drive recruiting students for the Professional Military Education seminar programs. The education office is accepting applications for the Academic Year 2002 Air War College and Air Command and Staff College non-resident seminars. AWC is open to colonels, lieutenant colonels (and selects) and GS/GM-13 or above civilian employees. ACSC is open to majors (and selects) and GS-11 or above civilians. The seminars meet weekly starting in early August 2001, and run until mid-June 2002. For more information, contact the Dobbins base education office at (770) 919-5001 or the Dobbins base training office at (770) 919-5045 or (770) 919-5043.

Ensure your investments

When it comes to Service Member’s Group Life Insurance, completing the election form correctly is as important as the size of the benefit. With the maximum SGLI coverage set at \$250,000, headquarters Air Force Reserve Command Judge Advocate lawyers are concerned about the people who either indicate no SGLI ben-

eficiary or select the “by law” option. The best way to ensure the proceeds are paid to the intended beneficiaries is to specifically name them on the form. If not, strict interpretation of beneficiary definitions in the SGLI statute may result in payment inconsistent with the service member’s intent. Reviewing wills and insurance documents, including SGLI, every couple of years or whenever family circumstances change, such as after a divorce or when a child is born is the best policy. Make sure these legal documents are up to date and correct are something military members can do for their families.

Find money

Finding money and putting your money to work just got a whole lot easier. The Bureau of Public Debt launched a new website called Treasury Hunt. The site makes it easier for people to find out if they may have a matured savings bond that the postal service couldn’t deliver or an interest payment that was returned to Public Debt. Customer privacy is protected by encrypted communications and a follow-up process to assure payment or holdings information is disclosed only to the bond owner. Investors can go to <http://www.savingsbonds.gov> and click on the Treasury Hunt link.

Family Readiness

Family Readiness continues to visit units to assist members with their personal readiness plan. Members complete the items on their personal affairs checklist and keep the items in a personal affairs packet. Family members should always know where the packet containing items such as wills and powers of attorney, insurance policies, birth and marriage certificates, and bank account numbers are located.

Additional Family Readiness Volunteer spouses are needed for our unit family support groups. The volunteers are trained to assist the unit families at times of major mobilization. Each unit should have at least five volunteers for their family support group.

For more information, contact J. Ealy Ritter at (770) 919-5004. If out of the Atlanta area, call toll free (888) 436-2246, ext. 9-5004.

Splitting requirements and the purchase card

What is “splitting requirements” when it pertains to

Government Purchase Card use? This question continues to be asked as use of the card expands and DoD policy regarding “inventory warehousing” changes.

Prior to the Purchase Card, there was a very good reason to “consolidate requirements” when someone in contracting was doing the buying. It cut down on the number of buys each year for similar requirements from various base organizations while providing the best opportunity to get the lowest price possible due to the “quantity” buy. With the purchase card, each organization now controls it’s own buying...when, where, and how much. In addition, the DoD philosophy now is “no warehousing” because that too costs money, makes items susceptible to theft, loss, and damage. So we are in the “Just-in-Time” buying mode.

The requirement then becomes: What does the purchaser know the requirement to be at the time of the buy?

Example 1: On Monday a cardholder buys one widget because that’s his known requirements for widgets at the time. The next day he is told someone in his organization needs another widget, he can buy it and that’s not splitting a requirement.

Example 2: A cardholder normally holds all requests for widgets until the end of the day/week/month so he will only have to make one buy. He realizes enough folks have requested widgets this day/week/month to put him above \$2,500 so he buys some today and some tomorrow, that’s splitting a requirement because his known requirement at the time of the buy is over \$2,500.

If the purpose of buying items more than once (multiple buys, multiple days, multiple vendors for the same product, multiple cards for the same requirement in the same organization) is to get under either the \$2,500 limit for open market buys, or under the \$25,000 limit on IDIQ, BPA, FSS, or GSA contracts, that’s splitting a requirement.

Remember, the Competition in Contracting Act, the Buy American Act, and the Small Business Act are laws. These laws kick in at \$2,500 (open market). By doing “creative buying”, such as splitting transactions, cardholders are violating the law.

GLOWMOBILE schedule

The Georgia license on Wheels (GLOWMOBILE) will be in the Base Exchange parking lot, Building 530, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the following dates:

Thursday Aug. 2, 2001  
Thursday Nov. 1, 2001

This schedule is subject to change. For more information, contact Bobby Price at (770) 919-4830.

Shuttle Schedules			
<b>ANDREWS UTA SHUTTLE (C-141)</b> <b>ARR AND DEP TIMES:</b> ARR FRIDAY: 2000LCL RETURN SUNDAY: 2100LCL DEPT FRIDAY: 2030LCL DEPT SUNDAY: 2130LCL <b>FLIGHT SCHEDULE:</b> ANDREWS AFB PATRICK AFB CHARLESTON AFB DOBBINS AFB ANDREWS AFB <b>SHUTTLE DATES:</b> JUN 1&3, JUL 6&8, AUG 3&5, SEPT 7&9	ARR FRIDAY: 1800LCL ARR SUNDAY: 2000LCL DEPT FRIDAY: 1830LCL DEPT SUNDAY: 2030LCL <b>FLIGHT SCHEDULE:</b> CHARLESTON AFB DOBBINS ARB GREENVILLE, SPARTANBURG INTL ARPT POPE AFB CHARLESTON AFB <b>SHUTTLE DATES:</b> JUN 1,3,8,10, JUL 13,15,20,22, AUG 3,5,17,19, SEPT 7,9,14,16	DEPT SUNDAY: 1915LCL <b>FLIGHT SCHEDULE:</b> KEESLER AFB DOBBINS ARB KEESLER AFB <b>SHUTTLE DATES:</b> JUN 2&3, JUL 14&15, AUG 4&5, SEPT 8&9	<b>SHUTTLE DATES:</b> JUN 9&10, JUL 14&15, AUG 11&12, SEPT 8&9
<b>CHARLESTON UTA SHUTTLE (C-17)</b> <b>ARR AND DEP TIMES:</b>	<b>KEESLER UTA SHUTTLE (C-130)</b> <b>ARR AND DEP TIMES:</b> ARR FRIDAY: 2015LCL RETURN SUNDAY: 1845LCL DEPT FRIDAY: 2045LCL	<b>MAXWELL UTA SHUTTLE (C-130)</b> <b>ARR AND DEP TIMES:</b> ARR FRIDAY: 1745LCL RETURN SUNDAY: 1745LCL DEPT FRIDAY: 1815LCL DEPT SUNDAY: 1815LCL <b>FLIGHT SCHEDULE:</b> MAXWELL AFB DOBBINS ARB CARL T. JONES FIELD, HUNTSVILLE MAXWELL AFB	<b>SAVANNAH UTA SHUTTLE (C-130)</b> <b>ARR AND DEP TIMES:</b> ARR FRIDAY: 1900LCL RETURN SUNDAY: 1900LCL DEPT FRIDAY: 1915LCL DEPT SUNDAY: 1915LCL <b>FLIGHT SCHEDULE:</b> SAVANNAH INTL SOUTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL ARPT, ALBANY GA DOBBINS ARB GLYNCO JETPORT ARPT, BRUNSWICK SAVANNAH INTL <b>SHUTTLE DATES:</b> JUN 1&3, JUL 13&15, AUG 3&5, SEPT 14&16



## Newly Assigned

Capt. Gene H. Gates  
2nd Lt. Joyce K. Beek-Cook  
2nd Lt. Sharon M. Dondlinger  
2nd Lt. Debra K. Moore  
Chief Master Sgt. Ronald Broadway  
Master Sgt. Don J. Johnson  
Tech. Sgt. James Case  
Tech. Sgt. Wayne Jones  
Tech. Sgt. Fredrick D. Northside  
Staff Sgt. Patrick K. Goode  
Staff Sgt. Robert E. Purتمان Jr.  
Staff Sgt. Sherri Walker  
Staff Sgt. Vanessa M. Willis  
Staff Sgt. Ronald K. Yeargin  
Senior Airman Ronald M. Barnes Jr.  
Senior Airman Clinton J. Hollins  
Senior Airman Willie J. Turpin Jr.  
Airman 1st Class Michelle Y. Gray  
Airman 1st Class Lauren M. Little

Airman 1st Class Lannis B. Nicholson  
Airman 1st Class Deanna M. Rogers  
Airman Basic Termaine R. Fluellen

## Promotions

To Senior Master Sgt.  
William M. Caskey  
Joseph T. Martynski  
Donald E. Preston

To Master Sgt.  
George Bridges  
Albert Johnson  
Joseph C. J. Johnson  
Arthur J. Mitchell  
Frederick C. Proctor, III  
Mark J. Schubert  
Darrell J. Tripp

To Tech. Sgt.

Richard O. Bethune  
Vernell R. Carter  
Dwight X. Creecy  
Darrell Hatcher  
Robert W. Martin, Jr.  
Eric McClendon  
Gerald L. Peterson  
Patricia Troutman

To Staff Sgt.  
Jorge L. Acevedo

To Senior Airman  
Deserie J. Jackson  
Charlene Demming  
Jenni Vandenheuvell

To Airman  
Latha G. Cole

## Froggy persistence

**By Capt. Erwin (Chris) Louis Carrow**  
*Base Chapel*

Persistence and not giving up in our spirituality can be described in a lot of ways. This little story highlights some matters of the heart for consideration.

Two frogs fell into a can of cream, or so I've heard it told. The sides of the can were shiny and steep; the cream was deep and cold.

"Oh what's the use?" said the first frog, "Tis fate — no help's around. Goodbye, my friend! Goodbye, sad world!" and, weeping still, he drowned.

The second frog, of sterner stuff, dog-paddled, all the while wiping his creamy face and drying his creamy eyes.

"I'll swim awhile, at least," he said. "It wouldn't really help the world if one more frog was dead."

An hour or two he kicked and swam. Not once he stopped to mutter, but kicked and swam, and swam and kicked, then hopped out via butter. — T.C. Hamlett

There are many times when we can all feel like one of these characters. We get into situations where we are over our heads and drowning in life's challenges. Some of a positive persuasion would say, "Look if you just keep kicking, things will work out." Others with more realistic attitudes would say, "Things might not work out, but give it your best shot." And others still would say, "Run the race, fight the fight, and keep the faith."

The heart of the matter really lies in understanding the purposes that God has in creating the individual you. God has created you with likes and dislikes and often success is not dependent upon circumstance as much as it is about your atti-

tude. If you enjoy doing something, it really does not matter how difficult things may get — you just need to keep doing it because you really enjoy it.

Avoid doubled-minded attitudes that allow confusion and frustration to wreak havoc in your heart and keep you from focusing on the purposes of God becoming manifest in your life. Make a decision and lock into realizing God's purpose.

Another consideration has to do with an understanding of the overall vision and direction God has for your life. Discouragement comes when we neglect to place the value of our current circumstance into the context of God's overall vision for our life. Frogs are not ideal butter churners, and it's easy to look at ourselves and say someone else could accomplish the task at hand more effectively. It really does not matter how a situation could be improved if someone else or something else were available. What matters is that you are the one who God has called for this time and season. You see, God wants to impart something into your soul and spirit through this process that He can later build upon for other tasks in manifesting His purpose for your life.

A final consideration to realize is that there is a fine line that delineates or qualifies success from failure. Often in life our standards for success don't measure up to God's. You decide what success looks like versus what God was trying to accomplish through your tasks or series of trials. In arrogance you take on the role of qualifying and validating what right looks like. As a result, over time you become frustrated and defeated not having sensed any victory in your life. Let God show you how you have crossed from failure to success. Apprehend all the good that can be seen in any situation and let God show you your real track record — the victory and success. Yes, victory can even be found in shiny butter cans. You can do all things through Christ Jesus who strengthens you!

## A primer for picky eaters

**By Staff Sgt. Houston Gilliland, Jr.**  
*94th Aeromedical Staging Squadron*

Junior won't eat his fruits and vegetables or his cereal. And, he won't drink his milk. If your child's world of nutrition extends no farther than a good PB&J sandwich, have no fear. It's still possible to help Junior — or your child — develop good eating habits. Here are some pointers to help kids over the age of 2 make wise food choices.

### Do:

\* Offer new foods. It may take a few tries before kids give a new food a chance. To get all the nutrients they need, kids should eat a variety of fruits, vegetables, beans, grains, low-fat, dairy products, lean meats, and meats.

\* Set a good example. Sit with your child at meals, and eat the healthy foods you give him or her.

\* Let kids serve themselves. Teach them to notice when they are hungry and when they are full.

\* Stock up on healthy snacks. Foods such as low-fat yogurt, rice cakes, fruit, and cut-up vegetables are great snacks.

### Don't:

\* Use food as a reward or a punishment.

\* Rush or force your kids to eat. Encourage, but don't force your kids to taste all foods before serving more of the food that they want. Don't force them to clean their plate.

\* Give too many sugary snacks. Sugar has little nutritional value and lots of calories. It also contributes to tooth decay. Many sweets are high in fat as well.

\* Give your child vitamins or mineral supplements unless your child's doctor recommends them.



**Another weapon against FOD.** Dobbins recently added a new piece of equipment to the base Foreign Object Damage prevention program. The towed airfield sweeper, pictured with Tommy Chastain of Griffin Services Inc., is pulled behind a military pickup truck using a standard tow bar. The sweeper uses a rotating stiff bristle brush, and does a comparable job to the large cleaner-vacuum-sweeper vehicle. When used in tandem three-across, the towed sweeper will reduce the time required to sweep the runway by one third. In addition to the man-hour savings, it is expected to bring a significant savings in vehicle maintenance costs. (Photo by Don Peek)



# The stars of tomorrow

**By Senior Airman David Atchison**  
*Public Affairs*

For many, it was their first flight on a military aircraft, but it won't be their last.

JROTC cadets from high schools in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina were given the unique experience of participating in a flight on a C-130 assigned to the 700th Airlift Squadron.

The goal of the program is to spark interest in military service in today's youth. Recruiters talked to approximately 1,000 cadets about the programs and opportunities the Air Force Reserve has to offer. A free lunch of pizza and soda was provided for the junior and senior cadets and Air Force Reserve keepsakes such as pencils, pens, videos and book covers were given out by recruiters.

On display for the cadets was an AC-130A gunship nicknamed "Ghost Rider" and a C-130 configured for aeromedical evacuation and available for them to tour. Master Sgt. Kenneth Farrey, Tech. Sgt. Mike Malone and Staff Sgt. Danny Noteis of the 94th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, were on hand to answer questions about both planes and share their experiences as aeromedical technicians.

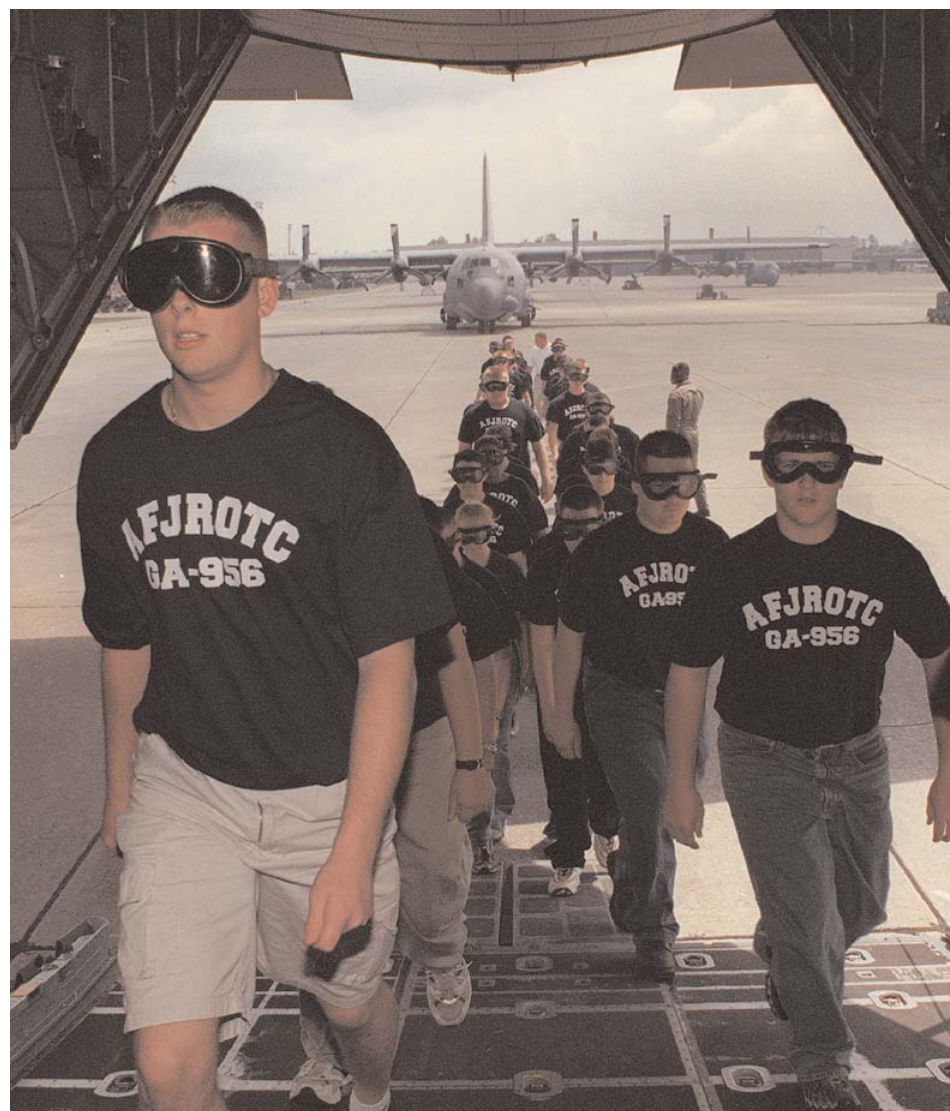
"The plane ride was the best, I want to be a pilot when I graduate," said Air Force Junior ROTC cadet Corey Bess of Riverdale High School in Riverdale, Ga. Bess, who is scheduled to graduate 2004, had never been on a military aircraft before and enjoyed the in-flight tour that he and his fellow classmates received.

During the flight, cadets were allowed to tour the plane, get a peek of the pilots in action in the cockpit and look out the portholes of the C-130s. The flights lasted 30 minutes as the cadets flew over Atlanta and around Stone Mountain before returning to the base. The flight was a program favorite for the cadets.

"Our orientation flight program allows us to talk to a wide range of youths about the benefits of the Air Force in a way that's exciting for them," said Tech. Sgt. Mark Clark, 94th AW recruiter.

Clark, whose been running the program for three years, added that it gives the cadets a better idea of what the duties of a Reserve member are like.

It's also a great recruiting tool in that the cadets will go back to school and tell their friends about the program and the Reserve," he added. "That will hopefully spark some interest in another youth. After all, these cadets are our future."



The highlight of the day for the visiting cadets was the orientation flight. Cadets from mostly local Air Force, Army and Navy Jr. ROTC programs, and some from as far away as North and South Carolina, caught rides on one of two C-130s. (Photo by Senior Airman Michelle Stevenson)



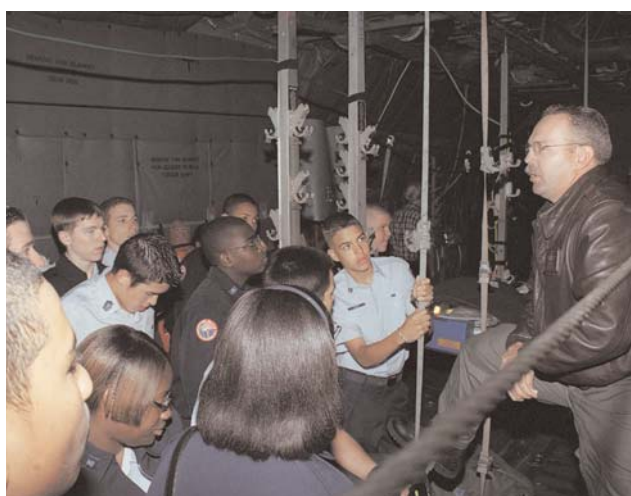
Master Sgt. Shirley Shallies, 700th AS loadmaster, gives a safety briefing to cadets before they board for their flight. (Photo by Senior Airman Michelle Stevenson)



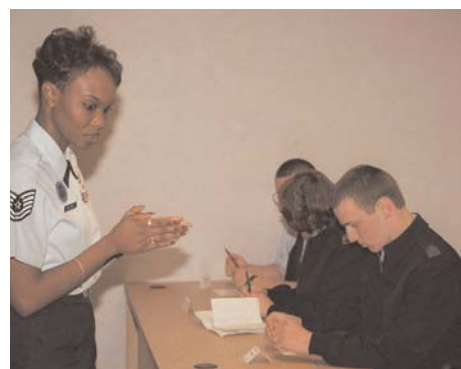
These cadets check out ordinance items on display from the 94th Civil Engineer Squadron's Explosive Ordinance Disposal unit. (Photo by Senior Airman Michelle Stevenson)



Firefighter and Emergency Medical technician John Meeling helps a cadet into fire gear. The Dobbins Fire Department provided a static display of equipment for the schools. (Photo by Senior Airman Michelle Stevenson)



Master Sgt. Ken Farrey, 94th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, aeromedical technician ART, explains how his unit performs its mission. Junior ROTC cadets toured a C-130 static display configured for the medical evacuation mission. Tech. Sgt. Mike Malone and Staff Sgt. Danny Noteis of the 94th AES also gave briefings. (Photo by Senior Airman Michelle Stevenson)



Tech. Sgt. Kaye Williams, 94th AW Recruiting, offered seniors and juniors pizza and sodas while she discussed career opportunities with the Air Force Reserve. (Photo by Senior Airman Michelle Stevenson)